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SUBJECT: NEW JAPANESE COMPANY FORMED FOR IMPORTATION OF SAKHALIN
GAS

1. SOVIET ECONOMIC PRESS (TASS-VESTNIK, AUGUST 39) REPORTS THAT BUSINESS CIRCLES IN SAPPORO HAVE DECIDED TO FORM A NEW COMPANY FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPORTING NATURAL GAS FROM SAKHALIN. THE NEW COMPANY, SAKHALIN TENNEN GASU KAYKHATSU KIORIOKU KAISHA (PHONETIC), REPORTEDLY IS BEING ESTABLISHED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SOVIET-JAPANESE AGREEMENT ON JOINT EXPLOITATION OF OIL AND GAS ON SAKHALIN CONTINENTAL SHELF.

2. ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, THE JAPANESE SIDE IS STUDYING QUESTION OF LAYING GAS PIPELINE BETWEEN SAKHALIN AND HOKKAIDO TO BRING SOVIET GAS TO JAPAN.

3. EMBASSY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ANY INFORMATION OTHER POSTS MAY DEVELOP ON THIS SUBJECT, ESPECIALLY CONCERNING POSSIBLE GAS PIPELINE.

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